

**SHAKESPEAREAN INSULTS**

*Combine one word from each of the columns below; add “Thou” to the beginning, and there is an insult fitted for hurling at your teacher. Let yourself go; mix and match to find that perfect barb from Shakespeare!*

Column A

bawdy brazen churlish distempered fitful gnarling greasy grizzled haughty hideous jaded knavish lewd peevish pernicious prating purpled queasy

rank reeky roynish sottish saucy

unmuzzled vacant waggish wanton wenching whoreson yeasty

Column B

bunch-backed clay-brained dog-hearted empty-hearted evil-eyed

eye-offending fat-kidneyed heavy-headed horn-mad

ill-breeding ill-composed ill-nurtured iron-witted lean-witted lily livered mad-bred

motley-minded muddy-mettled onion-eyed pale-hearted paper-faced pinch-spotted raw-boned

rug-headed rump-fed shag-eared shrill-gorged sour-faced weak-hinged white-livered

Column C

canker-blossom clot pole

crutch cut purse dogfish egg-shell

gull-catcher hempseed hedge-pig jack-a-nape malignancy malkin

malt-worm manikin minimus miscreant moldwarp nut-hook pantaloon rabbit-sucker rampallion remnant rudesby ruffian scantling scullion snipe waterfly whipster younker